## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RUBEN ORTEGA JUAREZ, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

MI MEXICO MINI MARKET & GROCERY INC. (d/b/a MI MEXICO MEAT MARKET), CECILIO LEZAMA, RENE LEZAMA, and JAEL LEZAMA,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:23-cv-06978 (JLR) (SDA)

REVISED ORDER
VACATING DEFAULT
JUDGMENT

JENNIFER L. ROCHON, United States District Judge:

**WHEREAS**, on January 26, 2024, default judgment was entered in favor of Plaintiffs and against all Defendants, *see* Dkt. 38; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 31, 2024, Defendant Cecilio Lezama moved this Court to vacate the default judgment entered against him pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure ("Rule") 60, *see* Dkts. 41-42; and

WHEREAS, the Court "may set aside a final default judgment under Rule 60(b),"
Fed. R. Civ. P. 55(c), for "mistake, inadvertence, surprise, or excusable neglect," Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b)(1), "fraud . . . , misrepresentation, or misconduct by an opposing party," Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b)(3), or "any other reason that justifies relief," Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b)(6); and

**WHEREAS**, Plaintiffs do not oppose Defendant Cecilio Lezama's motion to vacate the default judgment entered against him, *see* Dkt. 48; and

**WHEREAS**, upon consideration of the parties' submissions, and because the Second Circuit "generally disfavor[s]" default judgment and has expressed a "preference for resolving disputes on the merits," *Enron Oil Corp. v. Diakuhara*, 10 F.3d 90, 95-96 (2d Cir. 1993), the

Court finds that relief from the default judgment entered against Defendant Cecilio Lezama is justified;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED, that the default judgment entered against Defendant Cecilio Lezama is VACATED.

The Clerk of Court is respectfully directed to vacate the Court's earlier Order at Dkt. 50 because it erroneously applied to all Defendants.

Dated: January 27, 2025

New York, New York

SO ORDERED.

JENNIFER L. ROCHON

United States District Judge